

# 1105<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society 7:30PM Wednesday May 28, 2008 Building C, Fort Mason San Francisco, California

## Colonial American Coinage Scott Annechino

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society Box 475656 San Francisco, CA 94147-5656 Bulletin Editor: Michael Wehner Please join us Wednesday, May 28, 2008 to hear Scott Annechino tell us about Colonial American Coinage.

## 1104<sup>th</sup> meeting, The Old Streets of San Francisco Revisited Jerry Schimmel (reported by Herb Miles)

Jerry Schimmel, F.P.C.N.S\*, spoke and presented an old-fashioned slide show on "The Old Streets of San Francisco Revisited," a suitable addition to his talk and little booklet published by PCNS a number of years ago. Let me summarize.

Where in the world is 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue South where Mr. J. J. Regan had his butcher shop which he then morphed into a saloon and then into an hotel? Well, it is or was in the Bayview district of SF, where Evans Street currently flows. And Tonquin Street which held the Golden Gate Hotel? Near the site where the Fort Mason buildings now stand and which the PPIE once occupied.

Almost all of Jerry's tokens reflected the old San Francisco from the 1870s onward, listing many old street names that no longer exist, Dupont Street = Grant Avenue now. Montgomery Avenue is now Columbus Avenue and so on.

Since the tokens were so numerous and varied, with many slides featuring multiples, the full flavor of his talk is rapidly lost in reciting the older vanished street names, Devesadero (now Divisadero) Street, East Street, etc. However, the tokens were magnificent, Lucas Detective Agency, Hotel of Italy, tokens featuring Chinese characters and names, Hungarian names, Italian names, German names, Irish names, French names, tokens from African-American saloonkeepers, and all manner of businesses.

It really is true; you just have to be there to really get it!!! \*Fellow of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society

#### **Apil 2008 Exhibits**

Herb exhibited his recently purchased Alcatraz 50 cent brass Post Exchange piece.

Mark brought a Victorian silver Rupee obverse "brockage" and some casino chips from London in 5 shilling denominations, seemingly common but the card suit decorations made them scarcer than originally thought

Gordon brought a host of items; the new So-called Dollar book, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of Hibler & Kappen's 1966 book, 2 encased coins, on a Buffalo 5 cent from Jerry Adams and one naming the Alhambra Saloon.

Whalen exhibited his Ike numismatic collection; proofs & brilliant uncirculated, a silver round, a piece from the Marshall Islands, and a proof gold medal.

Scott was barely able to tote two huge silver coins of 13.2 and 26.4 ounces respectively, two 1996 Proofs of 5,000 & 10,000 Zaires

Ed exhibited 4 more lighthouse medals from the Nevada Mint; one from Pigeon Point, one from Point Bonita, one from Battery Point (all in California) and a Canadian 2005 piece from Toronto of Gibraltar Point.

Ken shared his latest purchases from the U.S. Mint; a Little Rock Coin & Medal Set with the Silver dollar, the Bald Eagle \$5 gold, (he actually received the BU and Proof but gave the proof to Rebecca!), a nice token from "Ken's Place" in Ohio, and an apprade for his Buffalo Nickel set, an uncirculated 1913 S, type II.

Michael brought 3 medals to share; 1880 & 1913 Mechanic Instituted pieces, each a little different from each other, a 1915 AAU/PPIE silver medal awarded for "Tumbling" and proof Jackie Robinson \$1 & \$5 gold. The latter were traded to Herb for his token!

Federico brought a very nice 1850 Costa Rican ¼ Peso in very nice AU condition and a 1987 25,000 Colones, slabbed as proof 69.

#### April 2008 Raffle (raised \$35)

- 1) A 1974 S Proof Ike Dollar (Brown "Ike" won by Gordon
- 2) A 1988 Canadian Commemorative 1 Dollar went to Ed
- A large Bronze San Diego 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Medal also wen to Gordon!
- 4) A large pot metal Lucky Penny featuring Abraham Lincoln won by Jerry

#### Dues

The following members have not paid their dues as of the April will meeting and will be dropped from the membership roster if unpaid by the May meeting.

Joel & Lila Anderson Michel Perekrestenko
Will Fragner Lew Robinson
Ed Fulwider Leon Saryan
Tom Hallenbeck Richard Schrieve
Robert Johnson O. L. Wallis
Sebastian Zurek

### Congratulations to the following 25 Year members: Mark Wm. Clark, David W. Lange Michel Perekrestenko

Thanks to Frank Strazzarino's generous financial support who is again a sponsor of PCNS. Apologies for omitting this notice last month.